

BRIEFING: FEBRUARY 11, 2014, BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM #3

TO: Chairman Richard and Board Members

FROM: Diana Gomez, Regional Director

DATE: February 11, 2014

RE: Award of Contract for Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support

Services

Background

Per Board Resolution HSR#13-33, approved on December 5, 2013, the Authority issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to obtain Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from qualified entities to provide Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support Services in the total amount of \$16,000,000 for a term of four years. After receipt of those submittals and a thorough evaluation process, Authority staff is prepared to submit to the Board their recommendations for awarding the contracts. This item seeks the Board's approval to award five contracts for Right of Way Engineering and Survey Services under RFQ HSR13-63.

Delivery of the First Construction Segment (FCS) in the Central Valley will require acquisition of in excess of 1,000 parcels of real property. In order for the Authority to effectively acquire right-of-way it is necessary to obtain the personnel and expertise of external Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support Services providers. Multiple contracts will be required to carry out this critical work.

Discussion

Authority staff seeks approval for the award of contracts related to Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support services. The total value of the services required is not-to-exceed amount of \$16,000,000, and the contract term will be four years. This budget is included in the cost estimates contained in the 2012 Business Plan and payment will only be made for actual costs incurred.

The scope of the Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support Services to be contracted for include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Administration and Project Management
- Progress reports, including final reports
- Information and project tracking systems

• Technical services including boundary maps, monumentation maps, survey control maps, records of survey, lot line adjustments, subdivisions maps, legal descriptions, parcel maps, appraisal maps, certificates of compliance, and staking/marking of parcels.

The contracts issued for Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support Services include the Board-adopted 30 percent participation goal under the Revised Small and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program for Professional Services Contracts.

The procurement process for the Right of Way Engineering and Survey Support Services contracts has been managed directly by Authority staff consistent with the State's competitive Architectural & Engineering procurement process. SOQs were evaluated by Authority staff in accordance with the Authority's regulations and procedures. Authority staff held oral discussions with the teams on January 16, 2014, to further the evaluation process and serve as the basis for ranking the top proposers.

Authority staff, designated by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), negotiated the terms of the contracts with the five top ranked proposers. Below are the staff recommendations for Board approval. If approved by the Board, the CEO or his authorized designee, on behalf of the Authority, would execute contracts with the following five proposers:

- O'Dell Engineering
- Chaudhary & Associates, Inc.
- Quad Knopf, Inc.
- Mark Thomas and Company, Inc.
- Hernandez, Kroone & Associates Inc.

All five teams are composed of experienced engineering and licensed surveying firms. Four of the teams are one hundred percent small businesses. For all five teams, the primary offices under this contract will be based in Fresno, Tulare, or Kings County.

Recommendation

Staff recommends Board approval to finalize negotiations and execute contracts with each of the five teams identified above in an amount not-to-exceed \$3.2 million for a term of 4 years each; the total contract amount for this procurement is not to exceed \$16 million.

Attachments

- Resolution HSRA # 14-04